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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 October 2008.
- 2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 2 and 4-20 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1 and 3 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ . |
| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>08/03/2007</u> . | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
| | 6) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

This Office Action is responsive to Applicant's Response to Election/Restriction, filed 10/21/2008. Claims 1-20 are pending in the instant application.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants' information disclosure statement (IDS), filed on 08/02/2007 has been considered. Please refer to Applicants' copy of the 1449 submitted herein.

Response to Restriction

Applicants' election without traverse of Group I: Claims 1-4, 11-15, 19, & 20 is acknowledged. The Examiner also acknowledges the election of species: Example 4, as a representative compound. Because applicant did not distinctly and specifically point out the supposed errors in the restriction requirement, the election has been treated as an election without traverse (MPEP § 818.03(a)). Group II: Claims 5-10 & 16-18 are withdrawn from further consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

Election/Examination of Species

Examination will begin with the elected species. As per MPEP 803.02, if the elected species is found to be unpatentable, the provisional election will be given effect and all other claims to species will be withdrawn from consideration. If the elected

species is found to be allowable, the search will be expanded by the Examiner to consider additional species and subgenera within the generic formula until:

- I. An art rejection can be made, or
- II. The genus claim is found to lack unity of invention, or
- III. The claims have been searched in their entirety.

Since the decisions in *In re Weber*, 580 F.2d 455, 198 USPQ 328 (CCPA 1978) and *In re Haas*, 580 F.2d 461, 198 USPQ 334 (CCPA 1978), it is improper for the Office to refuse to examine that which applicants regard as their invention, unless the subject matter in a claim lacks unity of invention. *In re Harnisch*, 631 F.2d 716, 206 USPQ 300 (CCPA 1980); and *Ex parte Hozumi*, 3 USPQ2d 1059 (Bd. Pat. App. & Int. 1984).

Example 4 in the specification has been found to be allowable. As such, the search was expanded to consider additional species (a subgenus) within the general formula I until either an art rejection can be made or until the genus claim is found to lack unity of invention. In this case, the search was expanded to non-elected species within formula I until an art rejection was found. The prior art search, however, will not be extended unnecessarily to cover all nonelected species. As per MPEP 803.02, when prior art is found that anticipates formula I with respect to a nonelected species, the Markush-type claim shall be rejected and claims to the nonelected species held withdrawn from further consideration.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

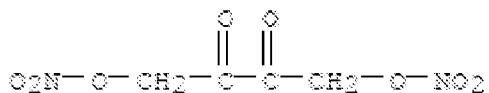
A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1 & 3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by

Nikolaeva et al. (Izvestiya Vysshikh Uchebnykh Zavedenii, Khimiya i Khimicheskaya Tekhnologiya 1975, 18(11), 1715-16). Attached in the previous Office Action was the CAS Abstract and structure RN 58246-23-4, shown below, wherein R¹ = K'; Z = O; T3 = bond; and R2 = K'; K' in both instances = ONO₂.

RN 58246-23-4



Should Applicant's amend formula I to overcome this rejection, examination will continue until either an art rejection can be made or until the claims have been searched in their entirety.

Claims Withdrawn

Claims 2, 4, 11-15, 19, & 20 are withdrawn from further consideration for containing non-elected subject matter.

Telephone Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason M. Nolan whose telephone number is (571) 272-4356 and e-mail is Jason.Nolan@uspto.gov. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri (9:00 - 5:30PM). If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph M^cKane can be reached on (571) 272-0699. The USPTO fax number for applications is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system, (either Private PAIR or Public PAIR). Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. For questions on Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center at (866) 217-9197.

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